

# PARISH MAGAZINE

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NOVEMBER 2012



They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them.

*Extract from 'For the Fallen' (1914) by Laurence Binyon*

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Most of us take food for granted. We go to our cupboards and find food when it comes to cooking the next meal. Sadly some homes might not have very much inside their cupboards, maybe some have nothing! I'm sure that when we make packed lunches for our children they don't open it there and then to find out what is in it because they believe that there is some food in it for them to eat.

There's a story in the Bible about Jesus feeding 5,000 people with only 5 loaves and 2 fishes (*Matthew 14:13-21*). It is a clear picture for us of God's delight in feeding all who have come to wait on him and listen to him. The account of events makes it quite clear that these people had deliberately set out into the open country to find Jesus. They sensed that he had things to say which they needed to hear. They sensed that he cared about their welfare and their lasting happiness and peace of mind.

But, wait a minute; Jesus himself was in need of refreshment and comfort because he had been very busy teaching and healing so many people. Yet when he arrived on the other side of the lake he was confronted by thousands of people, and still his compassion reached out to them, because he recognised that they knew their need of him. They were prepared to spend their whole day for him, listening to him, hanging on his Words. To me this illustrates that they had a spiritual hunger! He was there for them, ready to heal the sick friends and relations they had brought, ready to reassure them that God loved them, and ready to teach them how they could best please God in their lives.

When their tummies started rumbling the people started to experience physical hunger as well as spiritual. As always Jesus takes whatever is made available to him and uses it for great good which far outstrips our expectations. As always Jesus involves his followers in the work of preparation and distribution and all he used was what they had! And there was so much left over! Twelve baskets full!

Isn't that the same in our life – Jesus uses what we can offer to bring blessing and hope to lots of other people.

That's why Foodbanks are so good, effective and simple in achieving their goal of providing thousands of people in need across this country with food. Many churches have got involved with Foodbanks around the country and at last month's Harvest Service we supported the Waveney Foodbank. To help with this we enlisted our local primary school by asking them to hold a 'Dress a Can' competition – to see who could decorate a can of food in the most imaginative way, and wow did we have many wonderful entries, over 60 in total. (See picture at right). These cans were displayed at our Harvest Service and were then donated to the Waveney Foodbank along with many other shopping bags of non-perishable food stuffs.

In the UK it is estimated that 13 million people live below the poverty line. That's out of a population of about 63 million! Last year Foodbanks across the country distributed well over 120,000 boxes of non perishable food to homes that were in great need, to homes that they knew about, where there was no or very little food.

This is a true story about someone who has benefited from a local Foodbank.

A primary school boy from Gloucester stopped attending school recently because he could not face the embarrassment of having no money for lunch.

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Isaiah 58.6-7 says this: "*remove the chains of oppression and the yoke of injustice, and let the oppressed go free. Share your food with the hungry and open your homes to the homeless poor. Give clothes to those who have nothing to wear, and do not refuse to help your own relatives.*"

However we support people, whether through Foodbanks, other charities or by our own efforts we are living out a miracle which demonstrates that Jesus and our heavenly Father take great delight in meeting the needs of all people. Today Jesus is relying on us his disciples, to get involved practically and spiritually to support all who are in need. We may feel that we have not got much to offer, but if we are willing to give to Jesus what we've got He can use it to bless many!



*Chris Norburn.*

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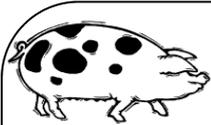
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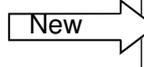
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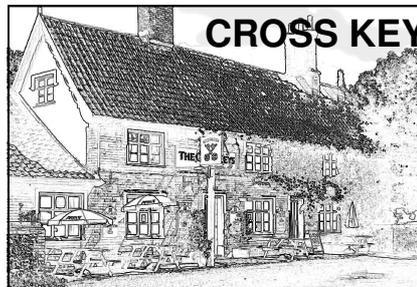
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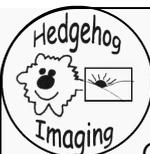
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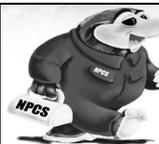
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# CLUB NEWS 1



## Botesdale Royal British Legion Women's Section

Nineteen members attended the September meeting held at Farnish House.

Following formal business, arrangements were discussed for the Coffee Morning on Thursday 22nd November at Farnish House, and the County Conference at Needham Market on Saturday 1st December.

The speaker for the meeting was member Sheila Rush, who displayed her collection of carrier bags and spoke of their originality.

The meeting concluded with tea, biscuits and a raffle.

Margaret Brown

## Heritage Circle

Members and visitors were entertained by Pip Wright's talk History from Old Newspapers at our September meeting. He found some local pieces for us, like this one from the Framlingham Weekly News May 4<sup>th</sup> 1878 :



*David Storry, Rickinghall was charged with being drunk and riotous on the highway, at Botesdale on the 18th April. The case was proved by Inspector Barnard who saw defendant on the day in question in a beastly state of drunkenness. Defendant pleaded guilty and said he was sorry it had occurred, as he was just upon the point of marrying.*

On November 28th Stuart Bowell will be speaking about History by the Roadside. More information from the Secretary - 01379 898561.

## the WI RICKINGHALL

After a summer with many celebrations and outings we were delighted that our next two meetings were also 'highlighters'. Our Members' Meeting was a 'hands-on one' at the end of which, thanks to the expertise of Jennie Labdon, we were all able to take home a most attractive delicate floral arrangement in a teacup and saucer. These hands-on activities always seem to go down well.

Our October meeting was an open one when Margaret Griffiths told us of the history and the highly secret work which was carried out at Bletchley Park. Margaret had worked as a tour guide there for many years and now, in her retirement, enjoys giving talks, supported by slides; taking us round the house and many huts and other buildings in the grounds. Total secrecy was the keyword for all who worked there. Staff working in one room would not know who worked in the next, or the type of work carried on there. We even learned of an invitation to a reunion to previous employees, two of whom were a husband and wife who each received a separate invite and it was only then that they learned they had both worked at Bletchley Park! The explicit secrecy must have been a great contributory factor to the winning of WWII.

Irene Robertson

## Changes to Telephone List dated June 2012

### Page S3 Slimming World.

Please replace contact information with :

Mrs Karen Inns

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## Coffee On



The Corner

As I write this report, the school holidays have just finished - teachers are now back to work and I suspect a few mums are collapsed in an armchair, delighted that they have made it through the vacation and that their little darlings are now working hard elsewhere!

In August we supported the Muscular Dystrophy Campaign and I am sure that they will be really delighted to receive a donation of £240 to help with the latest research into this horrible condition, research which is very promising, but which (as always) costs lot of money to complete - so thank you so much for your generosity. We had a lovely morning with lots of regulars and quite a few less regular folks! Hopefully they all enjoyed the convivial atmosphere as well as the refreshments. As always the team that produce the edible goodies put on a really good spread and there wasn't a great deal left at the end!

In early September we supported MIND, the mental health charity, that is currently running workshops and first aid training to help those affected by mental health problems. This charity is the chosen charity this year for the Methodist Women's Network. Again your generosity amazed me as another £220 made its way into the donation pots!

In October, I shall be away on holiday, but other members of my brilliant team will be there to serve drinks and refreshments, so do come along to see them. There are one or two charities that we might be supporting, but have not had confirmation as yet - so watch this space! Do come along to find out more!

For any questions about the coffee shop or anything else that happens at Parkview, please call me on 01379 890423. Sue Allen

## REDGRAVE AMENITIES TRUST THEATRE CLUB



Thursday 13 December 2012

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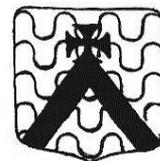
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### ASK THE CHEF

**Question :** I have recently become a vegetarian and wondered if you could give me a recipe for some Butternut Squash which I have just grown in my garden.

**Answer :** Butternut Squashes have a lovely flavour and this recipe is a fantastic healthy vegetarian dish packed with veg and topped with melted goat's cheese

#### Roasted Butternut Squash with Goat's Cheese

##### Ingredients :

2 small butternut squash / garlic clove, crushed / 3 tbsp olive oil  
dried Chilli flakes (pinch) / 1 tsp thyme, chopped  
courgette, cut into 2cm chunks / red pepper, cut into 2cm chunks  
2 small red onions, cut into thin wedges / 200g cherry tomatoes  
50g pine nuts / 100g goats cheese, crumbled  
1 tbsp breadcrumbs / 1 tbsp parsley (chopped) / 1 tbsp Parmesan

##### Method

Heat the oven to 200C / Fan 180C / Gas 6.

Cut the squash in half and scoop out all the seeds then cut criss-cross patterns over the cut-side of each one.

Mix together the garlic, chilli and thyme with 2 tbsp olive oil and brush this mixture over the squash. Bake until tender for about 30-40 minutes.



**Making the filling:** place the courgette, pepper and onion in a roasting tin and drizzle with 1 tbsp olive oil. Season and roast for about 20-25 minutes until tender and starting to brown at the edges. Add in the cherry tomatoes and pine nuts and cook for another 10 minutes.

Mix together the breadcrumbs, parsley and Parmesan.

Place the roasted vegetables and goats cheese in the squash halves, scatter with the breadcrumb mix and bake for a further 10 minutes or until golden and bubbling.

#### NOVEMBER EVENTS AT THE BELL INN

##### Thursday Lunchtime Quiz & Lunch for the Over 55's

November 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th. Starts at 12.30 pm.

1 course £5.50. 2 courses £7.50.

##### Bingo Night—Cash prizes. All the family welcome.

Thursday 1st November. Starts at 7.45 pm.

Meal Deal : 1 course £5.50. 2 courses £7.50.

##### Firework Night—Saturday 3rd November. Starts at 7.30 pm.

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Best Guy Competition at 6.30 pm. Fireworks start at 7.30 pm.

Hog Roast, BBQ & BAR. Live band starts at 8.30 pm.

##### Thursday Evening Quiz ~ 15th November. Starts at 7.45 pm.

£1.00 entry fee. Quiz Meal Deal : 1 course £5.50. 2 courses £7.50.

The staff and children at St Botolph's have made a good start to the new academic year.

The school has recently been involved in a school review which was conducted by officers from the local education authority. It was a process that, being new to the school, was very worthwhile for me personally. The findings from the review endorsed the improvements the school has made since the last Ofsted inspection. The local authority is reviewing all schools that have had consecutive "Satisfactory" Ofsted inspections.



Mr Mark Cobbold

However, on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of October Ofsted paid St Botolph's a visit themselves! Staff, children and governors welcomed the inspection team into our school. The team concluded that St Botolph's had indeed made progress as a school since the last inspection and were in agreement that St Botolph's is a "Good" school. The recent Ofsted report can be viewed in full at [www.ofsted.gov.uk](http://www.ofsted.gov.uk)

I have really enjoyed my first half term at St Botolph's, I have been made to feel very welcome and I am eager to continue to build on the improvements made to provide children at St Botolph's with a broad, balanced and engaging learning experience that will prepare them well for the next stage of their education. I am committed to leading and working with the whole school community in driving standards up for all children at every point of their time in the school.

I am looking forward to getting to know the children, staff, parents and governors better and am confident that St Botolph's will continue to improve and go from strength to strength.

Mr M. Cobbold, Headteacher

## Gift Day for the Benefice of Redgrave cum Botesdale with the Rickinghalls

Dear Friends,

This year's Gift Day will take place during Advent when envelopes will be available at the following services:

16<sup>th</sup> December Christingle, St Mary's, Rickinghall 3.30pm and  
23<sup>rd</sup> December Carol Service, Chapel of Ease, Botesdale, 3.00pm.

As always this gives all people of the Benefice (the villages of Rickinghall, Botesdale and Redgrave) a chance to give thanks for the work and ministry of the church throughout the villages.

If you are unable to attend either of those services but still wish to make a donation then please forward it to the Rector, at The Rectory, Bury Road, Rickinghall, or our Treasurer, Mrs Sheila Purdom at Tranquility Cottage, The Street, Redgrave.

Also if you are a tax payer, please can I encourage you to Gift Aid your donation. This allows all charities to claim the basic rate of tax, currently 20%, on all Gift Aided donations. All you need to do to Gift Aid your donation is to complete the form on the front of the Gift Day envelope. If you have any queries on this please do speak to me or our Treasurer.

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# BOTESDALE PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk, Leeann Jackson-Eve

## Botesdale PC Report from 8 October 2012

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Appleby, Burgess, Hathaway and Newport. The meeting was also attended by our District Councillor Sara Michell, County Councillor Charles Michell and Karen Coll, the Business Improvement Manager at Mid Suffolk District Council.

Ms Coll and Cllr Sara Michell spoke about the current consultation on Community Engagement – Getting your views on living and working in Mid Suffolk. This aims to pinpoint what matters most to our community in order to protect these services whilst making savings of around £3.5m over the next three years. You can make your opinions known in several different ways:

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**Email** Mid Suffolk at [tellus@midsuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:tellus@midsuffolk.gov.uk)

**Post** to Community Engagement 2012, MSDC, 131 High Street, Needham Market, IP6 8DL.

**Online:** Complete a survey online at [www.midsuffolk.gov.uk](http://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk) or post comments on Mid Suffolk's Facebook or Twitter pages.

**Planning:** The PC looked at an application at **The Priory, The Street** for Listed Building Consent for installation of a new bathroom to an existing bedroom; removal of an existing stud partition wall and installation of a new shower in an existing bathroom; installation of two new WCs in existing bathrooms 2 & 3. This was supported as modernisation with minimal impact to the Listed building.

**Road Closure:** The PC noted the temporary road closure of Chapel Lane approx 46m from the junction with Bridewell Lane heading 177m northbound on 27/11/12 (8.30-16.00).

**Remembrance Sunday Service:** Cllr William Sargeant, the PC Chairman, will represent the PC at the parade service on 11 November at 2.45pm

**Play Area:** You will no doubt be happy to hear that a local resident came forward to offer help with the replacement of the basketball goal, which was vandalised early this summer. The PC had received a quote of over £700 for its repair so is thrilled to get the work done for the cost of materials. Many thanks to this helpful villager! The PC has also received the inspection report and there are a number of items that need attention. Along with this, the PC will be considering improving the play area as a whole within a tight budget and with a lot of competition for grants. Any ideas are gratefully received.

**Footpaths and Streams:** The Maintenance of Footpaths and Streams project has started work again. Anyone interested in joining the work party can contact Cllr Chris Lambert on 01379 897053 or via email at [chris@prewarminor.com](mailto:chris@prewarminor.com). This is a great group to get involved in if you like to work outdoors and the majority of the heavy work is carried out by the Community Payback Team on their regular visits.

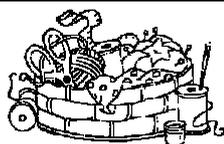
**Budget:** A discussion on the draft budget for 2013/2014 was held. The PC considered budgeting for improvements to the play area and a sum for the preparation of a Parish or Neighbourhood Plan in addition to its usual commitments. The revised budget will be discussed at the next meeting.

**Christmas Events:** The Market Place Christmas tree 'Lights On' Ceremony will take place on Saturday, 8 December at 6.15pm so please put it in your diaries! The tree will arrive in the Market Place on 30 November and we are pleased to tell you that the cost of the tree is fully covered by Cllr Sargeant's fundraising at the Soap Box Derby.

**Your Clerk is: Mrs Leeann Jackson-Eve,**  
Wayside Cottage, Cherry Tree Lane,  
Botesdale, Diss, Norfolk, IP22 1DL.  
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Email : [botesdale\\_pc@btopenworld.com](mailto:botesdale_pc@btopenworld.com)  
Please contact her during OFFICE HOURS ONLY.

**The Parish Council next meets on**  
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## CLUB NEWS 2



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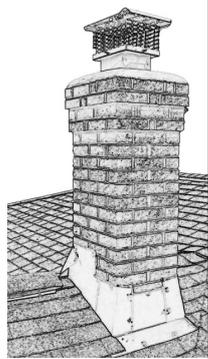
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# REDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL



Councillor Bob Hayward

The chairman welcomed everyone with particular thanks to Karen Cole, Business Improvement Manager from Mid Suffolk District Council. Apologies had been received from Jan Cresswell and Jackie Moss.

Our County Councillor, Charles Michell, had talked to the department relevant to road flooding. They had been to clear the culverts but there was still flooding of the low road. Ann Preston had requested a locality grant of £380 towards the shop freezer which Charles and his advisers would consider. The Locality Budget will be temporarily frozen from March 2013 in the lead-in to the council elections so anyone with projects needs to apply early.

Our District Councillor, Mrs Sara Michell, explained that Mid Suffolk District Council government finance had been cut by 10% per year amounting to £3.5 million over 3 years which would mean priorities must be set. She introduced Karen Cole from Mid Suffolk who asked for views on priorities. Bob Hayward pointed out that work load should be cut before making staff savings otherwise there would be a downward spiral in service times. The main point made by all was that services to rural areas were always cut more than to towns which meant inequality for the same council tax. Bus services being reduced hit the most vulnerable going to work and college even though the overall passenger numbers appeared uneconomic. The timing was not suitable for work or college. Jason Walker said that we suffered by being no more than a few hundred metres from Norfolk with little liaison between the authorities on buses. Ian Baird was of the opinion that road improvements should be done before new housing was allowed in key traffic areas like market towns.

Ann Preston reported that the leaflet drop by Dave McDonald had a good response with many people having trimmed hedges which overhung footways.

Planning - The first floor extension to Rose Cottage Half Moon Lane had been granted and the two storey extension to Money Pot Farm had also granted.

Although the listed building consent for Redgrave Church bells had been approved unanimously by Mid Suffolk District Council's elected planning committee, it had been sent to the Secretary of State for review because the unelected English Heritage had

objected. That is rather a strange situation for the department which is pushing for localism and diminution of power of unelected bodies. The department was supposed to reply within 28 days but that expired a month ago which again is not a good example for a department which is pressing for simplifying and speeding up the planning process.

The Rural Coffee Caravan which has been most helpful, is suffering from the usual withdrawal of funding and requested a donation which will be considered in January. John Giddings felt that in general we needed to consider raising the amounts we give to individual charities and it was agreed this would be discussed in November when the budget would be set.

The bark for the play areas will be purchased this week and laid shortly.

The public meeting with Hastoe for the affordable houses was well attended and the options explained. Preference would be given to Redgrave people but they need to be on the Mid Suffolk housing list for prioritising by the points system. The houses will be complete by December 14 and ready for occupation in January.

Two speed checks are being done per week and there have been some positive comment from residents. There is no more news yet on 30mph stickers for bins. It was suggested to ask the police to do occasional number plate checks to catch those cars which are not insured.

A proposal for white rails at the village entrances is being researched by the team.

The next meeting on 14 November at 17.30 at the Activities Centre will be to agree the 2013/2014 budget.

**The Parish Council Meeting  
next meets on**

**WEDNESDAY 14th NOVEMBER  
at 7.30 pm at Redgrave Activities Centre**

**All Parishioners cordially invited to attend  
[www.redgrave.org.uk](http://www.redgrave.org.uk)**

## **Bonfires - a timely reminder**

When you light a garden bonfire, please be considerate of your neighbours, and please ensure that it does not cause a nuisance - be especially careful in sunny weather when your neighbours may have their windows open or washing on a line - bonfire smoke, ash and smell is not appreciated! Bonfire smoke can be very irritating and even harmful particularly to people with chest or heart problems.



Don't forget :

- Choose the time of day and weather conditions that will cause the least inconvenience to neighbours.
- Don't automatically locate fires at the bottom of your garden. This often means that they are furthest from your house and very near your neighbours - a sure fire way of annoying them.
- Do not burn when the wind will carry smoke over other people's property, or over roads.
- Smoke hangs in the air on damp, windless days and in the evening around sunset.
- A considerate gardener will not light a bonfire one hour from dusk.
- Choose your bonfire site carefully, well away from trees, fences and windows.
- Burn material quickly in small quantities so the minimum amount of smoke is created.
- Bonfires can be dangerous and should never be left unattended.
- Do not leave a fire to smoulder - douse it with soil or water.
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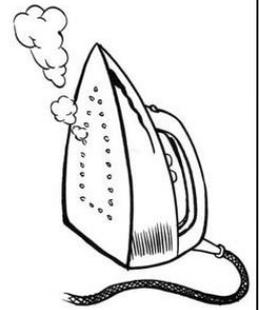
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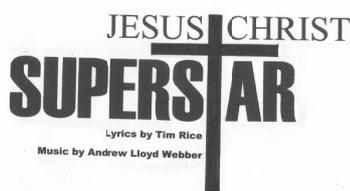
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# VILLAGE NEWS



## STOP PRESS: FINDING REDGRAVE'S SUPERSTAR!

The ground-breaking rock musical *Jesus Christ Superstar* by Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice will

be staged in St Mary's Church, Redgrave, in May 2013. Produced by Redgrave Church Heritage Trust supported by The Mere Players, the Redgrave production is looking for its own "Superstar" plus a cast of capable local talent for this ambitious theatrical event.

To find out more, come along to a "Jesus Christ Superstar Presentation" on Sunday, November 25th in Diss Junior School Hall at 2.00 p.m. The show's director Felicity Humfress with musical director Keith O'Gorman will be there to outline requirements, along with details of January auditions and their plans for what promises to be an exciting and inspirational musical event. If you are interested in taking part but cannot make this date or simply need further information, contact Felicity Humfress on 01953 714926.



## OUR VILLAGE IN THE WHEATFIELDS ....

is the title of a NEW DVD of Rickinghall and Botesdale.

Originally filmed in 1949, this has been extended to 50 minutes to include other local films made by F W Barker and is now enhanced by a commentary by Ernie and Mary

Baxter, both of whom were born in the village. There are, furthermore, some excellent old views of the village from Mary's personal photograph collection.

Priced at £10 the DVD is available from Botesdale Post Office, the Health Centre or Neil Lanham, tel 01379 890568. All proceeds will be shared between The Health Centre and East Anglian Air Ambulance.

## Oil Syndicate

Just a reminder to send in your requirements for the Nov/Dec heating oil purchase by Nov. 24th.

Best option: via e-mail to [BotesdaleOil@gmail.com](mailto:BotesdaleOil@gmail.com)

If that fails, call me on 01379 890952 or Maureen Chessell on 898046.

Full details are in last month's magazine, on page 17.

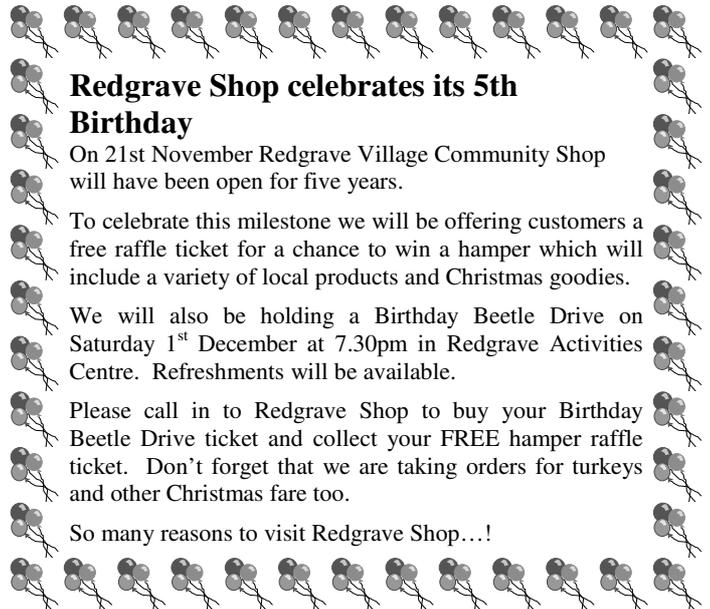


David Sloan

A sign of the times

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**THE CAT IS NOT  
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## Redgrave Shop celebrates its 5th Birthday

On 21st November Redgrave Village Community Shop will have been open for five years.

To celebrate this milestone we will be offering customers a free raffle ticket for a chance to win a hamper which will include a variety of local products and Christmas goodies.

We will also be holding a Birthday Beetle Drive on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 7.30pm in Redgrave Activities Centre. Refreshments will be available.

Please call in to Redgrave Shop to buy your Birthday Beetle Drive ticket and collect your FREE hamper raffle ticket. Don't forget that we are taking orders for turkeys and other Christmas fare too.

So many reasons to visit Redgrave Shop...!

Benjamin listened closely as the Sunday School teacher read from the Bible. 'May I ask a question?' Ben asked. Of course, go ahead, ask your question,' replied the teacher. 'Well, the Bible says that the children of Israel crossed the Red Sea,' continued Ben, 'also that the children of Israel built the temple, the children of Israel did this and the children of Israel did that. Didn't the grown-ups ever do anything?'

## Bonfire Night

A brief reminder for parents and children to ensure a safe evening.

- It is against the law to possess fireworks in public if you are under 18 years of age.
- It is against the law to throw fireworks in the street or other public place.
- Fireworks must not be sold to anyone who is under 18.

The Firework Code :

- Only buy fireworks marked BS 7114 or CE.
- Don't drink alcohol if setting off fireworks.
- Keep fireworks in a closed box.
- Follow the instructions on each firework.
- Light at arm's length, using a taper.
- Stand well back.
- Never go near a firework that has been lit. Even if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode.
- Never put fireworks in your pocket or throw them.
- Always supervise children around fireworks.
- Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves.
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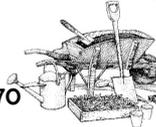
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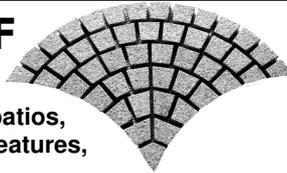


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# RICKINGHALL PARISH COUNCIL



Councillor Mrs Sally Smith

Rickingham Parish Council met on Thursday 4 October with eight councillors present.

Peter Beck of Neighbourhood Watch attended the meeting to discuss issues within the village. There were very few reported crimes, although people were being warned to make sure their sheds, garages and outbuildings were secure as there had been reports of farm machinery being stolen in neighbouring villages. The next Neighbourhood Watch Meeting will be held at The Bell 7.30pm in the upstairs Function Room on Thursday 15th November - all are welcome.

The Parish Clerk reported on a variety of matters including that the PC would continue to look into the opportunity to create further footpaths in the village or extend existing ones under the Paths 4 Communities initiative. Ideas for where these paths could exist are very welcome and consideration can be given as to whether they would be feasible or not.

In last month's Parish Magazine, Rickingham residents were provided with a "Big Vision" asking a number of questions as to what the PC can do for you, what issues are being faced and how can we help? Feedback would be greatly appreciated to ensure the PC is working in your best interests and for us to be able to access appropriate grants at the right time. We look forward to hearing from

you.

In addition, Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Council have launched a Community Engagement Initiative 2012 – getting views on living and working in the two districts. This can be completed online by going to [www.midsuffolk.gov.uk](http://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk). Paper copies of the survey can be obtained from the Parish Clerk to post to Community Engagement 2012, MSDC, 131 High Street, Needham Market, IP6 8DL. Or you can talk to your local District Councillor, Sara Michell, on 01379 870280 or email [sara.michell@midsuffolk.co.uk](mailto:sara.michell@midsuffolk.co.uk)

A discussion on the draft budget for 2013/2014 was held. A number of capital improvement projects were discussed to establish whether they should be included in the budget for next year. This included converting the Parish owned street lights to part night lights and a sum for the preparation of a Parish or Neighbourhood Plan. Some minor revisions were also discussed and the revised budget will be reissued at the next meeting.

Finally, if anyone would like to join Rickingham Parish Council there is a **VACANCY** for a further Councillor. If you are interested please contact the Parish Clerk (details below).

**Your Clerk is :**

**Mrs Leeann Jackson-Eve**  
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**The Parish Council next meets at Rickingham Village Hall at 7.30 pm on :**

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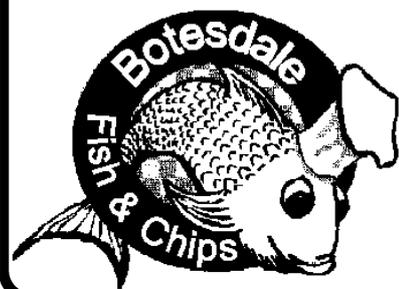
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Sat	11.30 – 1.30	4.30	-	10.30pm
Sun	Closed in morning	<b>5.00</b>	-	<b>8.00pm</b>

Thursday 1 November	9.30 am 6.30 pm 7.30 pm	RABBATS Night Safari. Booking essential on 688333 Rickinghall Parish Council Meeting	Rickinghall Village Hall Redgrave Fen Rickinghall Village Hall
Friday 2 November	9.00 am 9.00 am 8.00 pm	Church Cleaning Yoga. Booking essential on 01379 890955 Dance Classes	St Mary's, Redgrave Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall
Saturday 3 November	10.00 am 10.30 am 6.30 pm 7.30 pm	Open Church Guided Walk Best Guy Competition Firework Night	St Mary's, Redgrave & Rick Redgrave Fen Rickinghall Village Hall Rickinghall Village Hall
Sunday 4 November			
Monday 5 November	2.00 pm 7.30 pm	ST BOTOLPHS PRIMARY SCHOOL RETURNS FROM HALF TERM BONFIRE NIGHT Needlecraft Slimming World	Activities Centre Rickinghall Village Hall
Tuesday 6 November	9.30 am 10.00 am 6.00 pm 7.15 pm 7.30 pm	Yoga. Booking essential on 01379 890955 Open House Zumba Yoga & Relaxation Julie's Aerobics	Rickinghall Village Hall All Saints, Redgrave Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall Rickinghall Village Hall
Wednesday 7 November	10.00 am 10.00 am 10.30 am 2.00 pm	MOBILE LIBRARY Day Centre Redgrave Art Club Macmillan Outreach Service Yoga. Booking essential on 01379 890955	Rickinghall Village Hall Activities Centre Botesdale Health Centre Activities Centre
Thursday 8 November	9.30 am 12.30 pm 7.30 pm	RABBATS Phoenix Lunch Club Rickinghall W I	Rickinghall Village Hall Activities Centre Rickinghall Village Hall
Friday 9 November	9.00 am 8.00 pm	Yoga. Booking essential on 01379 890955 Dance Classes	Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall
Saturday 10 November	9.00 am 10.30 am 7.00 pm	Rickinghall Farmers Market Wildlife Watch Group Barn Dance	Rickinghall Village Hall Redgrave Fen Botesdale Village Hall
Sunday 11 November	11.00 am 2.45 pm	REMEMBRANCE DAY Two Minutes Silence Service at the War Memorial Parade lines up at Botesdale Post Office	Botesdale Market Place
Monday 12 November	2.00 pm 7.30 pm 7.30 pm	Needlecraft Slimming World Botesdale Parish Council Meeting	Activities Centre Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall
Tuesday 13 November	9.00 am 9.30 am 6.00 pm 7.15 pm 7.30 pm 7.30 pm	Coffee on the Corner Yoga. Booking essential on 01379 890955 Zumba Yoga & Relaxation Julie's Aerobics British Red Cross Botesdale Centre, Open Meeting	Parkview Chapel Rickinghall Village Hall Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Health Centre
Wednesday 14 November	10.00 am 10.00 am 2.00 pm 2.15 pm 7.30 pm 7.30 pm	Day Centre Redgrave Art Club Yoga. Booking essential on 01379 890955 Forget-me-not-Club Redgrave Parish Council Meeting Royal British Legion Botesdale Branch AGM	Rickinghall Village Hall Activities Centre Activities Centre Farnish House Activities Centre Function Room, The Bell Inn
Thursday 15 November	10.00 am 2.00 pm 7.30 pm	ELECTION DAY FOR SUFFOLK POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER Coffee Morning Craft Club Botesdale & Rickinghall Neighbourhood Watch Meeting	Farnish House All Saints, Redgrave Function Room, The Bell Inn